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FOLLOWING REPEAT MOSCOW 18125 ACTION SENT TO HELSINKI  
LENINGRAD PRAGUE WASHDC USIA WASHDC SECSTATE DATED 12/3/74;

QUOTE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE MOSCOW 18125

E. O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: OEXC, UR (PAPPASTAVROU GEORGE)

SUBJ: EXCHANGES: STAG PAPPASTAVROU

HELSINKI FOR CAO

LENINGRAD FOR P&C

PRAGUE FOR RICHMOND

STATE FOR CU/EE

REF: A. HELSINKI-MOSCOW TELCON DECEMBER 3

B. STATE 264081

C. MOSCOW 17762

1. AS DISCUSSED REFERENCE TELCON, MIN CULT AND MFA UNABLE  
AUTHORIZE VISA DECEMBER 3 BY TELEPHONE BUT SAY AUTHORIZING  
CABLE HAS BEEN SENT SOV EMB. NOW EXPECT PAPPASTAVROU ON  
NEXT AVAILABLE FLIGHT, SU-204 ARRIVING MOSCOW 9:00 P.M.  
DECEMBER 4.

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2. REASON FOR SOVIET FAILURE TRANSMIT VISA AUTHORIZATION

EARLIER STILL NOT ENTIRELY CLEAR. MIN CULT SAYS IT UNDERSTOOD AUTHORIZATION WAS TO BE SENT FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 29, BUT MIN CULT CHECKS WITH MFA MONDAY AND TUESDAY, DEC 2 AND 3, SHOWED IT HAD NOT GONE OUT. EMBASSY BELIEVES LAST MINUTE RESOLUTION OF VISIT DUE TO PRESENT CONFUSION WITHIN MIN CULT, ESPECIALLY NORTH AMERICAN DIVISION, WHICH STILL REELING FROM CANADIAN OSCAR PETERSON DISASTER (REF C) AND BRUISED BY NEGOTIATIONS OVER JOFFREY BALLET. OFFICIAL RESPONSIBLE FOR PAPPASTAVROU ARRANGEMENTS HAS BEEN MYSTERIOUSLY OUT OF OFFICE SINCE PETERSON AFFAIR AND EMBASSY GATHERS SOME TYPE OF PUNISHMENT WAS METED OUT. AT SAME TIME HIGHER OFFICIAL HAS BEEN LESS THAN USUALLY RESPONSIVE. IN ADDITION, MIN CULT APPEARS TO BE IN RATHER FROZEN STATE OF INACTION ON NEW PROGRAMS WHILE BUREAUCRATS WAIT TO SEE HOW NEW MINISTER WILL MOVE.

3. IN ANY CASE, HELSINKI PLEASE ASSURE PAPPASTAVROU THAT PROBLEM HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH HIM OR INDEED WITH CHARLES IVES. WORKING-LEVEL SOVIET MUSICIANS AND COMPOSERS EXTREMELY EAGER TO MEET AND HEAR HIM AND ARE DISAPPOINTED OVER VISA DELAY.

4. P&C COUNSELOR DID NOT CANCEL DECEMBER 3 LUNCH FOR PAPPASTAVROU TO MEET OFFICIALS OF COMPOSERS UNION, HOUSE OF FRIENDSHIP, CONDUCTOR OF RECENT SOVIET PROGRAM ON IVES,<sup>1</sup> -, \$ 95#34 .7 8:8-. . WE SHOWED USIA VTR OF KIRKPATRICK INTERVIEW ON IVES AND DISCUSSED PLANS FOR DELAYED PAPPASTAVROU PROGRAM. ALL PRESENT ENTHUSIASTIC TO DO MORE HERE ON IVES AND PROMISE WARM RECEPTION TO PAPPASTAVROU. SOVIETS HAD KNOWING LOOK OF RESIGNATION WHEN MIN CULT AND VISA PROBLEM MENTIONED.

5. FOR LENINGRAD: BECAUSE OF POSTPONEMENT OF MOSCOW PROGRAMS AND STRONG REQUESTS TO RESCHEDULE, ALONG WITH UNCERTAIN STATE OF LENINGRAD PROGRAM DUE TO VISA DELAY, WE ELIMINATING LENINGRAD VISIT SO PAPPASTAVROU MAY REMAIN HERE DECEMBER 9 AND 10. THIS SHOULD ALSO MAKE BPAO SCHEDULE WITH JOFFREY IN VILNIUS MORE FLEXIBLE.

6. TENTATIVE PAPPASTAVROU PROGRAM NOW AS FOLLOWS:  
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THURSDAY DEC 5 -- ARRIVE MOSCOW 9:00 P.M. VIA SU 204;

FRIDAY, DEC 6 (SOVIET HOLIDAY) -- TRIP TO ZAGORSK;  
7:00 P.M. OPERA "THE GAMBLER", PROKOFYEV, AT BOLSHOI.

SATURDAY, DEC 7 (SOVIET HOLIDAY) -- MUSEUM VISITS;  
7:00 P.M. OPERA "QUEEN OF SPADES", TCHAIKOVSKIY, AT BOLSHOI.

SUNDAY, DEC 8 -- AFTERNOON, IVES PERFORMANCE FOR STUDENTS  
AND FACULTY, MOSCOW CONSERVATORY; 7:00 P.M. IVES PERFORMANCE  
FOR PUBLIC, HOUSE OF FRIENDSHIP.

MONDAY, DEC 9 -- 11:00 A.M., IVES PERFORMANCE, INSTITUTE  
OF HISTORY OF ARTS; 2:00 P.M. IVES PERFORMANCE, UNION OF  
COMPOSERS; 7:30 P.M. BALLET SUITES, "GAYANE" AND  
"ITRAUSSIANA" AT MUSICAL THEATER.

TUESDAY, DEC 10 -- IVES PERFORMANCE, MOSCOW STATE  
UNIVERSITY, POSSIBLE LUNCH FOR MUSICOLOGISTS AT HOME OF  
CAO; 7:30 P.M. MOSCOW STATE PHILHARMONIC CONCERT, CYRIL  
KONDRASHIN, COND., PROKOFYEV AND TCHAIKOVSKIY; 10:00 P.M.  
RECEPTION FOR JOFFREY BALLET.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 11 -- 08:35 A.M. DEPART FOR ROME  
VIA SU-283.  
STOESSEL UNQUOTE KISSINGER

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